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House Resolution 188

By: Representatives Stephens of the 164<sup>th</sup>, Peake of the 137<sup>th</sup>, Parrish of the 156<sup>th</sup>, and Channell of the 116<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Declaring February 3, 2009, as Food Service Industry Day at the state capitol and
- 2 commending the food service industry of Georgia; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the food service industry plays a vital role in Georgia's economic prosperity and
- 4 the quality of life for all Georgians; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the Georgia food service industry comprises over 15,000 food and drink
- 6 establishments in Georgia and generates more than \$14 billion annually, providing over
- 7 400,000 jobs state wide; and
- 8 WHEREAS, more than 25 international food service industry brands are headquartered in
- 9 Georgia; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the Georgia Restaurant Association is dedicated to providing a voice for the
- 11 food service industry throughout Georgia to express to residents and visitors the great value,
- 12 quality, and services provided by local food establishments; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the Georgia Restaurant Association works with state and local agencies to
- 14 promote food safety, encourage small business growth, and foster entrepreneurship
- 15 throughout Georgia; and
- 16 WHEREAS, the contributions and efforts of the professionals working in the food service
- 17 industry to provide the highest quality food and drinks in Georgia, promote small business,
- and contribute billions of dollars to local and state tax revenue to stimulate economic growth
- 19 are worthy of recognition.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 21 the members of this body recognize the dedication of the food service industry, applaud their

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service as critical to the economic vitality of the State of Georgia, and declare February 3,

- 23 2009, as Food Service Industry Day at the state capitol.
- 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 25 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Restaurant
- 26 Association.